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1. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this policy is to outline the process to determine the Halwes Medal winner and the Young Achiever award winner each racing season.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 The award recognises a trainer or driver who has had an outstanding season.

3. POLICY

- 3.1 Only Tasmanian licensed persons are eligible to receive votes.
- 3.2 Any person disqualified for any offence during the racing season will not be eligible to win either award.
- 3.3 Voting is conducted on all Tasmanian harness race meetings (excluding King Island).
- 3.4 A panel of 12 members is selected by Tasracing in consultation with BOTRA. Members are appointed for 12 months.
- 3.5 Two panel members are rostered to vote on each harness race meeting in Tasmania (excluding King Island). Members are paired and vote for two consecutive race meetings.
- 3.6 Each panel member allocates 10 votes for each meeting based on individual performances at each race meeting. Five is the maximum number of votes an individual can receive from a panel member at any race meeting.
- 3.7 Tasracing will compile the votes and provide monthly voting updates, on the Tasracing website, for the first nine months of the racing season.
- 3.8 Votes for the last three months of the season will be counted at the annual Tasracing harness awards night when the winner will be announced.
- 3.9 A Young Achiever award will be run in conjunction with the Halwes Medal. The winner will be the leading vote getter aged 25 or under at the start of the racing season.
- 3.10 In the event that the winner of the Halwes Medal is also eligible for the Young Achiever award, the winner of the Young Achiever award will be the next eligible person with the most votes in the Halwes Medal.
- 3.11 Tasracing will arrange a medal for the award winners and a prize aligned to sponsorship support.

4. DISPUTES

- 4.1 Notwithstanding any clause noted above, Tasracing maintains its discretion to interpret, or make a ruling in relation to, any aspect of the Halwes Medal and its application.